HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 630 By Favors

A RESOLUTION to recognize May 2005 as "Older Americans Month."

WHEREAS, the great State of Tennessee is home to more than 942,045 citizens aged 60 years or older; and

WHEREAS, the older Americans of Tennessee are a vital part of our nation's demographic makeup; and

WHEREAS, older citizens are members of our community entitled to dignified, independent lives free from fears, myths, and misconceptions about aging; and

WHEREAS, each community in America must strive to recognize the contributions of our older citizens, understand and address their evolving needs, and support their caregivers; and

WHEREAS, our society is dependent upon intergenerational cooperation and support and benefits from our collective efforts to serve older Americans and the people who love them; and

WHEREAS, this year marks the 40th anniversary of the passage of the Older Americans

Act by the United States Congress; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that this General Assembly hereby proclaim the month of May 2005 as "Older Americans Month."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.